



No One Who Abides in Him Keeps on Sinning

**Sunday, April 14, 2024**

***Hanover Lutheran Church***

2949 Perryville Road, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

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Rev. Rod Benkendorf, Pastor

## ***Welcome!***

Welcome to Hanover Lutheran Church! What a blessing from the Almighty God that he calls us and allows us and desires us to be in worship together. We are pleased and thankful that you are here today to hear God's Word and receive His Gifts. As Redeemed Children of God, it is our goal to fulfill the "Law of Christ" (1 Corinthians 9:21) which is to Love God and Love our neighbor (Matthew 22:37-40). Again, thank you for joining us in worshipping the One True God who sent His Son to suffer, die, and rise for us! If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to us. Pastor Rod Benkendorf (314-704-8202) or the church office (573-335-8583).

We invite you to join us in the Activity Center at 9:00am this morning as we continue our adult Bible study.

## ***Office Hours***

The church office will be open with the secretary present 9:00am-3:00pm Monday-Thursday

Pastor will be in the office Tuesday-Friday morning.

Pastor's day off will be Monday.

Vicar will be in the office Tuesday-Friday morning.

Vicar's day off will be Monday.

In case of an emergency, you may reach Pastor Benkendorf at (314)704-8202.

## ***Calendar***

Sunday 4/14	7:45 & 10:15am 9:00am	Communion SS/Bible Study
Monday 4/15	6:30pm	Voter's Meeting
Tuesday 4/16	9:00am	LWML Spring Celebration-St. Andrew
Wednesday 4/17	9:30am 6:30pm	Bible Study Bible Study
Friday 4/19	6:00am	Men's Bible Study
Saturday 4/20	1:30pm	Plus One-Activity Center
Sunday 4/21	7:45 & 10:15am 9:00am	Worship SS/Bible Study

## Third Sunday of Easter

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7:45 & 10:15 am

Prelude/Ringing of Church Bells

*Lighting of the Candles*

Announcements

Prayer for Worship

*(see inside cover of LSB)*

Opening Hymn

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” *LSB 457*

Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

Confession and Absolution

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Almighty God...Grant this, Lord unto us all.

**C** Amen.

Psalm

*Psalm 4*

**P** Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness! You have given me relief when I was in distress. Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!

**C** **O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame? How long will you love vain words and seek after lies?**

**P** But know that the Lord has set apart the godly for himself; the Lord hears when I call to him.

**C** **Be angry, and do not sin; ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.**

**P** Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord.

**C** **There are many who say, “Who will show us some good? Lift up the light of your face upon us, O Lord!”**

- P** You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and wine abound.
- C** **In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Kyrie (sung)

*LSB 186*

- C** **Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Gloria in Excelsis (sung)

*LSB 187*

- C** **Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.  
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day (response is sung)

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And with thy spirit.**
- P** Let us pray. O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

First Reading

*Acts 3:11–21*

<sup>11</sup>While [the lame man who was now healed] clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. <sup>12</sup>And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? <sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

<sup>17</sup>“And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup>But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. <sup>19</sup>Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, <sup>20</sup>that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, <sup>21</sup>whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual

*Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

**P** Christ has risen from the dead.

**C** **[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.**

**P** He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

**C** **he has put all things under his feet.**

### Special Music

#### Epistle

*1 John 3:1–7*

<sup>1</sup>See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure. <sup>4</sup>Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

#### Alleluia (sung)

*LSB 190*

**C** **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

#### Holy Gospel (response is sung)

*Luke 24:36–49*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

**C** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>36</sup>As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, “Peace to you!” <sup>37</sup>But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. <sup>38</sup>And he said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup>See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” <sup>40</sup>And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup>And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?”

<sup>42</sup>They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and he took it and ate before them. <sup>44</sup>Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn

“Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways” *LSB 707*

Sermon

“No One Who Abides in Him Keeps on Sinning” *1 John 3:1-7*

Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\text{✝}$  of the world to come. Amen.

Offering

Offertory (sung)

*LSB 192*

**C** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

*1 Timothy 2:1-4*

**Preface** (sung)

*LSB 194*

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And with thy spirit.**  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** **We lift them up unto the Lord.**  
**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.  
**C** **It is meet and right so to do.**

**Proper Preface**

**Sanctus** (sung)

*LSB 195*

- C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Lord's Prayer**

*LSB 196*

**The Words of Our Lord**

*LSB 197*

**Pax Domini**

*LSB 197*

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** **Amen.** (sung)

**Agnus Dei** (sung)

*LSB 198*

- C** **O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

**Distribution & Hymns**

“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord” *LSB 637*  
“God Loves Me Dearly” *LSB 392*  
“Children of the Heavenly Father” *LSB 725*

**Nunc Dimittis** (sung)

*LSB 199*

- C** **Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**Thanksgiving** (response is sung)

*LSB 200*

- P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** **And His mercy endureth forever.**  
**P** Let us pray... one God, now and forever.  
**C** **Amen.**

**Salutation and Benedicamus** (response is sung)

*LSB 202*

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And with thy spirit.**  
**P** Bless we the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Benediction**

*LSB 202*

- P** The Lord...and ✠ give you peace.  
**C** **Amen, amen, amen.** (sung)

**Closing Hymn**

“Spread the Reign of God the Lord” *LSB 830*

**Postlude**

*Go in Peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!*

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**COMMUNION GUIDANCE:** We rejoice in this celebration of the LORD's Supper. Indeed, the Lord Jesus comes to us in a very intimate manner, giving to us His true Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and wine in this sacred meal. St. Paul writes, "*A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself*" (1 Corinthians 11:28-29). Confirmed members of churches that belong to the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, believing and confessing as we do, are invited to partake in the Lord's Supper with us. We practice "Close Communion" and it is out of love and care for every individual that comes to the Lord's Supper that we ask those who are not instructed in the Lutheran, Christian faith and/or doubt the presence of the Body and Blood of Jesus in this Sacrament refrain from communing until you have had an opportunity to speak with Pastor Benkendorf. As you are comfortable, we invite you to come forward to receive a blessing as you cross your arms in front of you. Please respect our position of love in this matter of Christian and Pastoral care.



**Easter:** He is Risen! He is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia! Finally, after forty plus days of reflection and repentance, after seeing Jesus die for us, we celebrate! We celebrate with unbridled Joy! Not only has God paid the price for our sins, He has fully and completely defeated death and Satan. We celebrate that because He Lives, we too shall Live! “Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?” (1 Corinthians 15:54-55). The color of Easter Sunday and the Easter season is white. The light of the world has returned, FOREVER!

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### *Serving in Worship*

*Ushers*                    7:45am -Brett Heuer, Jeff Heuer, Quentin Kelley, Zach Lewis, Fred Vincel, Kevin Eakins  
10:15am-Mark Bonney, Nathan Edwards, Jim Frank, Cody Kertz, Jonathon Michael

### *Serving in Sunday School*

*Teachers for April – “Littles”, Heather Miller “Middles”, Kim Kelley, 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade, Tom Hadler*

<i>Acolytes</i>	Liam Kelley	Xavier Franks
<i>Next week (4/21)</i>	Garrett Michael	Ian Petzoldt

### *Announcements*

**Plus One Project: Volunteers Needed** Are you good at walking people through recipes and what they might need to do to cook, bake, or make them? Do you like cooking and baking food yourself? Are you interested in helping Vicar sort the donations received for the project? Then we have a volunteer spot for you! Please contact Vicar Heitshusen with any questions and sign up on the signup sheet on the donation table. The Project will take place April 20 from 1:30-3:30pm (Please note that organizing donations will take place April 14 directly after second service).

**Plus One Project: Donations** We are still collecting donations for the Plus One Project. Please pick up a card with the ingredients on it and bring the ingredients back to Hanover by April 14 second service. Prefer to give money? No problem! Just designate it to the Plus One fund!

**Youth Group**-SAVE the date-Spring is here and time to plant. The youth group will have their annual plant sale Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. It will be between services and after late service. We will have vegetables, herbs, and this year more flowering plants to choose from. Thank you for supporting the youth at Hanover.

**Trinity Lutheran**, Friedheim will hold its Pancake & Sausage Breakfast TODAY Sun., Apr. 14 7am - 12 noon. Free Will donation. Carry out Available. Sponsored by the Men's Club.

**Trinity Lutheran Church-Egypt Mills**-Spring drive-thru dinner, TODAY Sunday, April 14, 2024. Drive-thru only: chicken and dumplings, corn, green beans, slaw, bread, and dessert. Serving from 11:30am-3:00pm. (Cost: Free will donation to be collected). See the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

**Immanuel Lutheran Church** in Altenburg, MO will hold its Annual Fried Chicken Supper on Sunday, April 21, 2024. Serving time 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Adults \$12.00 – Children \$6.00 and Children under 5 free! Dine in or Carry Out. The LWML and Congregation Ladies will provide a Country Store.

**Saxony Lutheran Annual Fish Fry**-Dine in or Carry Out, Sunday, April 28, 2024. 11:00am-1:00pm. Fish Hush Puppies, fries, slaw, and dessert. Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased in the church office, Saxony Lutheran or see Lynn Petzoldt.

**Blood Drive** Saxony Student Council is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, May 6 from 1:30 – 5:30 p.m. in the Moeller Commons. You can schedule an appointment online.

**Camp SEMO Fundraiser**-Camp SEMO is selling 80 pork butts at \$30 each which will be available for pickup on May 23. Please contact George Carey at 573-225-5806 to order. Orders can be picked at Christ Lutheran Church in Gordonville from Noon until 2pm on May 23.

**THERE ARE ONLY 80 AVAILABLE** so order soon!

**SPARK** is Concordia University, Nebraska's three-day academic summer camp focused on helping middle school students discern God's calling their lives. Through interactive sessions, fun group activities and daily chapel and devotion sessions, students can explore their interests, develop useful skills, and build meaningful connections with their fellow campers. Session topics include Beekeeping 101, DNA: God's Molecule of Life, Low Challenge Elements, Get Graphic!: The Art of Reading and Creating Graphic Novels, Mathematical Modeling with Excel, Model Rockets, Improv!, Learning to Code with Scratch, Flying High with Drones, Dirt to Dinner, Recycling in Agriculture. **Dates are June 46, 2024. Registration Deadline is May 3, 2024.**

## ***Weekly Catechism and Scripture for Reflection***

We are Lutheran! Why are we Lutheran? We are Lutheran because we are people of God's Word - the Bible. We Believe teach and confess that Lutheranism

is the absolute best explanation of the Bible.

God wants us to be in His Word and listen to Him (Luke 11:28). With that in mind, each week there will be a teaching from the Bible and a Bible verse upon which to reflect. You and your family are encouraged to discuss, memorize, and own the teaching and the Bible verse. (Note: Some teachings and Scripture will repeat from week to week.

That is intentional.)

### **The Seventh Commandment**

You shall not steal.

*What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor's money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.

### **Deuteronomy 5:19**

And you shall not steal.

### ***Bible Story for the Week***

*“John Appears to His Disciples”*

A Child's Garden of Bible Stories pp. 139-140

John 20:19-29

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